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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Comments are required regarding (1) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments regarding this information collection received by [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER] will be considered. Written comments should be addressed to: Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), New Executive Office Building, 725 – 17th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20502. Commenters are encouraged to submit their comments to OMB via email to: OIRA_Submission@OMB.EOP.GOV or fax (202) 395-5806 and to Departmental Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, D.C. 20250-7602. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720-8958.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Farm Service Agency

TITLE: Power of Attorney

OMB CONTROL NUMBER: 0560-0190

SUMMARY OF COLLECTION: Individuals or authorized representatives of entities wanting to

appoint another to act as their attorney-in-fact in connection with certain Farm Service Agency

(FSA), Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC), and Risk Management Agency (RMA) programs,

Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (FCIC), Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)

and related actions must complete a Power of Attorney form and Extension Sheet to

accommodate additional signatures (FSA-211/211A). The FSA-211/211A serves as evidence

that the grantor has appointed another to act on their behalf for certain FSA, CCC, FCIC, RMA,

and NRCS programs and related actions giving the appointee legal authority to enter into binding

agreements on the grantor's behalf.

NEED AND USE OF THE INFORMATION: FSA will collect information to verify an

individual's authority to sign and act for another in the event of errors or fraud that requires legal

remedies. The information collected on the FSA-211/211A is limited to the grantor's name,

signature, and identification number, the grantee's name, address, and the applicable FSA, CCC,

FCIC, NRCS, and RMA programs or transactions.

DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS: Individuals or households

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 51,585

FREQUENCY OF RESPONSES: Reporting: Other (once)

TOTAL BURDEN HOURS: 64,256

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Dated: April 18, 2017.

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